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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2006 EWA BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Gary Bautista called meeting to order 7:05 p.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBER'S PRESENT: Jeff Alexander, Alisa Bender, Tom Berg, Kurt Fevella, Gary Bautista, James Moylan, Michael O'Neill and Rey Rodriguez.

MEMBER'S ABSENT: Sai Tagovailoa-Amosa and Normand Robert.

GUESTS: Gary Oliva (HECO), Pam Witty-Oakland (St. Francis Residential Care Community), CC Curry (West Loch Village), Daniel Fong, Lt. Daniel Ford (HPD), Maj. Mike Tamashiro (HPD), Mary Serrao (Puuloa OCC Ewa Puuloa HCC), Sgt. Edgar Namoca (Weed & Seed), Capt. Frank Motes (HFD), Don Robbins (West Oahu Current), Ron Lee (St. Francis), Sharene Tam (Haseko), Cal Sueoka (BWS), Coby Lynn, Julian Ng, Gale Braceros (Weed & Seed), Joyce Oliveira (Mayor's Representative), Scott Belford (Senator Will Espero's Office staff), Philip Perez, Henry Chang-Wo, Mary Marr, Linda Sakai (Lanakila Baptist), James Istern, Jeff Minter (St. Francis), Jimmy Yamamoto (RM Towill Corp.), Richard Hardgrave, and Kelley Santiago (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

INTORDUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS: Chair Bautista introduced the members present.

Chair Bautista began by announcing that changes must be made in order to expedite the meeting and complete board business. Chair Bautista added the following statement: "To change is to grow and to switch is to move on."

The Board Parliamentarian, Mike O'Neill, briefly recapped the rules of Order and Decorum, as stated in the Neighborhood Plan. He also asked that everyone adhere to the time limits set forth in order to expedite the meeting.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY: The floor was open for nominations.

Rich Hardgrave and Mark Giblin were nominees from last month's meeting. Giblin withdrew. Bautista nominated Warren Taylor. Kurt Fevella nominated Darlene Gonsalves.

There were no other nominations.

Fevella asked to table the item until the next meeting after indicating that two of the three nominees were not present (Gonsalves and Taylor).

Fevella moved seconded by O'Neill to defer the filling of vacancy until the next Board meeting.

Discussion followed: Alexander disagreed with deferment. O'Neill withdrew his second.

Chair Bautista passed the gavel to Vice Chair Reynaldo Rodriguez.

Bautista seconded the motion.

Discussion followed: A heated discussion ensued between board members. Confusion began when trying to distinguish whether or not the nominees lived within the Subdistrict 2 area.

The motion failed, 4-4-0. (Aye: Fevella, Rodriguez, Bender and Bautista Nay: Alexander, O'Neill, Berg, Moylan)

Rodriguez passed the gavel back to Bautista.



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7:15 p.m. - Chair Bautista called for a recess due to lack of decorum,

7:20 p.m. – The meeting resumed order.

Chair Bautista explained that the motion to defer had failed, therefore the board would take a roll call vote on which of the three nominees would fill the vacancy.

Alexander requested that nominees be given time to provide some history about themselves.

Hardgrave introduced himself and briefly explained the area in which he lived. He noted interest in serving on the board.

Bender requested that the nominator of the other two nominees briefly provide information about the person they nominated.

Fevella and Bautista declined to make comments about their nominee.

During the above process, interruptions and heated discussions between board members ensued.

On numerous occasions, Chair Bautista attempted to bring the meeting back to order, unsuccessfully. On one occasion he told member Alexander to "shut up", after being repeatedly interrupted while trying to restore order.

Since order could not be restored, Chair Bautista cancelled the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by:

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